BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

JULIE WINTER P O Box 36 Carthage, MO 64836

Registered Nurse License No. 319657

Respondent

Case No. 2012-271

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby adopted by the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on July 16, 2012.

IT IS SO ORDERED July 16, 2012.

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Board of Registered Nursing

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California

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9	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS		
10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 2012-271	
12	JULIE WINTER Post Office Box 36	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND ORDER	
13	Carthage, MO 64836 Registered Nurse License No. 319657		
14	Respondent.		
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17	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-		
18	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:		
19	<u>PARTIES</u>		
20	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant), brought this action solely in her capacity		
21	as Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer		
22	Affairs. This action is maintained pursuant to a Delegation of Authority from the Board and its		
23	Executive Officer to the Department of Consume	er Affairs, effective December 31, 2011. The	
24	Board or its successor is represented in this matte	er by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the	
25	State of California, by Diann Sokoloff, Supervising Deputy Attorney General.		
26	2. Julie Winter (Respondent) is representing herself in this proceeding and has chosen		
27	not to exercise her right to be represented by counsel.		
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Stipulated Surrender of License (Case No. 2012-271)

3. On or about August 31, 1980, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered Nurse License No. 319657 to Julie Winter (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 2012-271 and will expire on July 31, 2012, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 2012-271 was filed before the Board and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on October 31, 2011. Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 102.3, the Board delegated its duties to the Department of Consumer Affairs by way of an interagency agreement, effective December 31, 2011, until legislation re-establishing the Board takes effect. A copy of the interagency agreement is attached as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference. Hereinafter, all references to the Board shall include the Board or its successor.
- 6. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that the Board or its successor has continuing jurisdiction to discipline her license.
- 7. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2012-271. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 8. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her; the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

- 9. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.
- 10. Should this stipulated surrender be presented at a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge for preparation of a proposed decision, Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives stenographic reporting of the proceeding and hereby consents to electronic reporting of the proceeding (Gov. Code, § 11512 (d)).

CULPABILITY

11. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 2012-271, agrees that cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders to the Board her Registered Nurse License No. 319657.

CONTINGENCY

12. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board pursuant to the Board's delegation of authority as set forth in the attached interagency agreement. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and Board staff may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or her counsel.

By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that she may not withdraw her agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation before the Board act on it or it becomes effective by operation of law pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (Gov. Code, § 11340 et seq.). If the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order is rejected by the Board as the final resolution of the pending accusation, it shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

- 13. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 14. This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement.

It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Surrender of License and Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.

15. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree to the following Order.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 319657, issued to Respondent Julie Winter, is surrendered.

- The surrender of Respondent's Registered Nurse License shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.
- 2. Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a registered nurse in California as of the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 3. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board her pocket license and, if one was issued, her wall certificate on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 4. If Respondent ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 2012-271 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 5. If and when Respondent's license is reinstated, she shall pay to the Board, costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$1,370.00. Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board. Nothing in this provision shall be construed to prohibit the Board from reducing the amount of cost recovery upon reinstatement of the license.

1	6. Respondent shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for two (2)	
2	years from the effective date of the Decision and Order.	
3	ACCEPTANCE	
4	I have carefully read the Stipulated Surrender of License and Order. I understand the	
5	stipulation and the effect it will have on my Registered Nurse License. I enter into this	
6	Stipulated Surrender of License and Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to	
7	be bound by the Decision and Order.	
8	DATED: 3-1-12 Julie Winter	
9	JULIE WINTER Respondent	
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11	The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted.	
12	Dated: Respectfully submitted,	
13	Kamala D. Harris	
14	Attorney General of California DIANN SOKOLOFF	
15	Supervising Deputy Attorney General	
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Exhibit A

Accusation No. 2012-271

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9	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 2012-271		
12	JULIE ANNE WINTER Post Office Box 36		
13	Carthage, MO 64836 A C C U S A T I O N		
14	Registered Nurse License No. 319657		
15	Respondent.		
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17	Complainant alleges:		
18	<u>PARTIES</u>		
19	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her		
20	official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of		
21	Consumer Affairs.		
22	2. On or about August 31, 1980, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered		
23	Nurse License Number 319657 to Julie Anne Winter (Respondent). The Registered Nurse		
24	License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation		
25	and will expire on July 31, 2012, unless renewed.		
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- This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- Section 2750 of the Business and Professions Code (Code) provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
- Section 2764 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811, subdivision (b), of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
- Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

Section 2761 of the Code states:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

- "(a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- "(4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action against a health care professional license or certificate by another state or territory of the United States, by any other government agency, or by another California health care professional

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resident, who was wheelchair-bound, out onto the patio of MVH. There were no other staff members or residents present on the patio. Respondent was terminated for leaving the resident outside unattended. The Settlement Agreement concluded that cause for discipline against Respondent's Missouri registered nurse license existed based upon Respondent's violation of professional trust or confidence.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Misrepresentation in Procuring License)
(Bus. & Prof. Code § 2761, subd. (b))

- 15. Complainant realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 13 and 14 above, and incorporates them by reference as if fully set forth.
- 16. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to discipline under Code section 2761, subdivision (b), in that she procured the renewal of her California nursing certification from the California Board of Registered Nursing (California Board) through misrepresentation. The circumstances are as follows:
- 17. On or about July 27, 2010, Respondent submitted an Application for renewal of her California registered nurse license to the California Board. In her Application, Respondent specifically denied having had a license disciplined by a government agency or other disciplinary body since she last renewed her license. Prior to July 27, 2010, Respondent last renewed her California registered nurse license on or about July 29, 2008. Given the disciplinary action taken against Respondent's Missouri registered nurse license by the Missouri Board on or about January 19, 2010, as set forth in paragraphs 13 and 14 above, Respondent's denial of prior discipline constitutes a misrepresentation in procuring the renewal of her California registered nurse license.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – False Statement or Information in Application) (Bus. & Prof. Code §2761, subd. (e))

- 18. Complainant realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 13, 14, and 17 above, and incorporates them by reference as if fully set forth.
 - 19. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to discipline under Code

section 2761, subdivision (e), in that she made or gave false statements and information to the California Board in connection with her application for renewal of her California registered nurse license. The circumstances are set forth above in paragraphs 13, 14, and 17.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Possession of Controlled Substance)
(Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 2761, subd. (a), 2762, subd. (a))

20. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to discipline under Code section 2761, subdivision (a), as defined by Code section 2762, subdivision (a), in that on or about October 27, 2010, Respondent unlawfully possessed marijuana, a controlled substance. Specifically, on or about October 27, 2010, Respondent consented to a search of her vehicle by the Carthage Police Department. An officer from the Carthage Police Department found an Altoids container in the trunk of Respondent's vehicle that contained a green leafy substance which field tested positive for marijuana.

FIFTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Self-Administration of Controlled Substance)
(Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 2761, subd. (a), 2762, subd. (b))

21. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to discipline under Code section 2761, subdivision (a), as defined by Code section 2762, subdivision (b), in that on or about October 26, 2010, Respondent self-administered marijuana, a controlled substance. During Respondent's arrest by the Carthage Police Department on or about October 27, 2010, Respondent admitted that she smoked marijuana on the day prior to her arrest.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters alleged in this Accusation, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:

- 1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 319657, issued to Julie Anne Winter;
- 2. Ordering Julie Anne Winter to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3;

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1	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.	
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4	DATED: October 31, 2011 Stave Born	
5	LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN Executive Officer	
6	Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs State of California	
7	State of California Complainant	
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Exhibit B

Interagency Agreement between the Department of Consumer Affairs and the California Board of Registered Nursing

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO)

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DECLARATION

I am a United States citizen and I am over the age of eighteen. I HEREBY CERTIFY that I, Louise R. Bailey, am the Executive Officer for the California State Board of Registered Nursing ("Board"), Department of Consumer Affairs, 1747 N. Market Blvd., Suite 150, Sacramento, CA, and am the official delegated Custodian of the Records for the Board of Registered Nursing. I am responsible for their maintenance pursuant to Chapter 6, Division 2 of the California Business & Professions Code and certify the contents of said records pursuant to Sections 162 and 163 of the Business and Professions Code.

I hereby state that:

Attached is a true certified copy of the Interagency Agreement between the Board of Registered Nursing and the Department of Consumer Affairs.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Given under my hand and the seal of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of Consumer Affairs, at Sacramento, California, this 28th day of December 2011.

Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN

Executive Officer

INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT

Between the Department of Consumer Affairs & California Board of Registered Nursing

WHEREAS, Business and Professions Code Sections 2701 and 2708, establishing the Board of Registered Nursing ("Board") and providing for an Executive Officer to perform the duties delegated by the Board will become ineffective and repealed effective January 1, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Nursing Practice Act has not been repealed and will remain in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, the Board is within the Department of Consumer Affairs ("Department); and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Board and Department to provide as much consumer protection as possible; and

WHEREAS, the Board has, by vote at its meeting on November 16, 2011, delegated to the Department as of December 31, 2011, those duties, powers and responsibilities that the Board has previously delegated to the Board's Executive Officer as of December 31, 2011, and, further, approved entering into this agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Board and the Department wish to provide for the continued administration of those provisions of the Nursing Practice Act that have been delegated to the Board's Executive Officer in an uninterrupted and stable manner until legislation reestablishing the Board takes effect;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties to this interagency Agreement (hereinafter "Agreement") agree as follows:

- 1. The Department accepts the delegation as approved by the Board and confirmed in this Agreement, and agrees to perform all such responsibilities in the best interests of protecting the public and consistently with the Nursing Practice Act.
- 2. The Board hereby authorizes and empowers the Department to the extent authorized by law, and subject to the review and approval of the State and Consumer Services Agency, to exercise those powers, duties and responsibilities that have been delegated to the Board's Executive Officer as of December 31, 2011, to administer the Nursing Practice Act.
- 3. The Board hereby authorizes the Department to utilize any previously appropriated funds of the Board to carry out the responsibilities in administering the Nursing Practice Act in conjunction with this Agreement; and those funds shall be used for the

purposes for which the Board of Registered Nursing Fund, Professions and Vocations Fund was established.

- 4. The Department shall adhere to all current Board policies while this Agreement is in effect; all regulations and policies that have been adopted by the Board as of December 31, 2011, shall remain in effect until the time that legislation re-establishing the Board takes effect.
- 5. This Agreement shall take effect on December 31, 2011, and remain in effect until the time that legislation re-establishing the Board takes effect.
- 6. In the event that any provision of this Agreement is unenforceable or held to be unenforceable, then the parties agree that all other provisions of this Agreement have force and effect and shall not be affected thereby.

IT IS SO AGREED:

Department of Consumer Affairs ("Department")

By Bilan Stige Acting Director

12/14/11 Date

California Board of Registered Nursing

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Approved:

Anna M. Caballero, Secretary

State and Consumer Services Agency

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